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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Greetings:

The following is filed in timely response to the Office Action mailed on May 4, 2007, wherein the Examiner:

1. Objected to the drawings because they do not show certain features of the invention described in the specification.
2. Rejected Claims 12, 13, and 20 under Section 112, first paragraph, on grounds that they contain subject matter which was not described in the specification.
3. Rejected Claims 1-20 under Section 102(b) as being anticipated by Ramspeck et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,857,903.

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The following amendments and remarks are submitted in response.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 8 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.

An Appendix containing Replacement Sheet 2 is attached at the end of this paper.